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LETTER DATED 23 OCTOBER 1991 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Acting on instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that United States aircraft are continuing to violate Iraqi airspace, the details of those violations being as follows:

1. On 21 and 22 October 1991 United States aircraft carried out 35 sorties (17 sorties flown by two-aircraft formations and one single-aircraft sortie) for purposes of surveillance and provocation. The aircraft in question were flying at a speed of between 600 and 950 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of between 1,500 and 6,000 metres.

2. These operations were concentrated mainly on the districts of Dohuk, Zakho, Mosul, Arbil, Tall'afar, Amadiyah and Ayn Zalah.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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